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DOLLAR BOATS.

SHIPPING BOARD REJECTS
BID.

MONOPOLY NOT FAVOURED.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 7.

President Crowley of the Em-
ergency Fleet Corporation today
recommended the rejection of R.
Stanley Dollar's offer for the Ship-
ping Board vessels being operated
between Seattle and the Far East
by the Admiral-Oriental Line.

Dollar offered in behalf of the
Dollar Steamship Company to
charter the ships at a monthly
rental of \$1,000 each and at the
end of a five-year period to pur-
chase the ships at \$600,000 each.

President Crowley recommended
that new bids on a competitive
basis be invited and if none proves
satisfactory the line should be
taken from the Dollar interests.

President Crowley held that the
Dollar prices offered were in-
adequate and that the bid lacked
sufficient guarantees in the way
of a bond for the maintenance of
the line.

If the Shipping Board accepts
President Crowley's views Stanley
Dollar will consult his associates
further. Crowley also held that
the Admiral-Oriental Line was as
profitable as the Pan-American
Line which recently was sold to
the Munson Steamship Company
for \$1,026,000 per ship, and he be-
lieved the Admiral-Oriental Line
ships should bring the same.

The re-allocation of the Admiral-
Oriental Line to another operator
was suggested because of the
feeling that a monopoly is objec-
tionable.

Washington, Dec. 3.

The United States Shipping
Board today rejected the bid of
R. Stanley Dollar for the vessels
operated by the Admiral-Oriental
Line between Seattle and the Far
East, in accordance with the re-
commendation of President
Crowley of the Emergency Fleet
Corporation.

[Note:—The local office have
had no information of this what-
ever.]

SIGN OF TIMES.

AMERICA'S REPUBLICAN
SPEAKER.

POLITICAL STRUGGLES.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Dec. 8.

The preponderance of regular
Republicans in the House of
Representatives is demonstrated
by the election of Mr. N. Long-
worth as Speaker, also by the



adoption of the Rules of the
House in spite of the combined
opposition of the Democrats and
Republican insurgents.

The vote on the adoption of the
rules was 208 to 196.

LOWER TAXATION.

Washington, Dec. 7.

Before the adjournment of the
House of Representatives, there
was placed at the head of the
agenda the Tax Reduction Bill,
reducing next year's revenue by
\$326,000 of which \$194,000 re-
presents the relief from income
tax.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar,
on demand, to-day was 2/4 7/16.

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INVESTMENT.

LIST OPENS NEXT WEEK.

As will be seen in an adver-
tisement in the "China Mail," the
subscription list of the new
Hongkong Telephone Co., Ltd.,
opens on Tuesday, December 15,
and closes on or before the last
day of the year.

Local investors are given an op-
portunity of taking up shares in
the concern formed to take over
the Hongkong undertaking of the
China and Japan Telephone and
Electric Co., Ltd.

The capital is \$5,000,000 divided
into 500,000 shares of \$10 each.

Of these shares the two pro-
motors, the Hon. Sir Paul Chater
and Mr. J. H. Taggart have each
taken up 15,000; the directors, the
Hon. Sir Paul Chater, the Hon.
Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr.
Chow Shoo-sun, the Hon. Mr.
R. H. Koteval, the very Rev.
Father Robert, Mr. R. G. Shewan,
Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mr. J. H.
Taggart, have each taken up
10,000 shares, making a total in
all of 110,000 shares.

Credited as fully paid-up and
ranking for dividend from July 1,
1925, 140,000 shares have been
allotted to the old company. The
remaining 260,000 shares are now
offered for subscription. The
shares allotted to the directors and
promoters are on the same terms
as those now offered in the pros-
pectus.

The shares to be taken up will
rank for dividend as from Janu-
ary 1, 1926. A sum of \$3.50 per
share is payable on application,
being \$2.50 as to a quarter of the
nominal value and \$1 premium.
The balance of \$7.50 will be called
up when subsequent capital is
required.

According to the schedule the
company is authorised by ordi-
nance to charge rates which guar-
antee a minimum dividend of 8 per
cent. The maximum dividend
payable to shareholders is 15 per
cent.

LOVE'S SEQUEL.

FOSTER MOTHER ROBBED
OF \$1,500.

STRANGER GETS THE MONEY.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the
Central Magistracy this morning
a Chinese girl was charged with
stealing a sum of money belong-
ing to her foster-mother.

It was stated by the prosecution
that the girl made the acquaint-
ance of a young man with whom
she had frequent meetings at
Fung Wong Terrace, Wanchai,
since the beginning of Novem-
ber. The girl was alleged to have
stolen money from time to time
and handed it to the young man
who told her that he was using the
money for medical expenses.

When the foster-mother opened
the box in which she had kept her
savings it was found that a sum
of \$1,500 was missing. The
stranger who received the money
had been seen by the foster-
mother only once at a tea-house
and he had not been traced since
the matter was reported to the
police.

The foster-mother, an elderly
woman, informed the Magistrate
that she did not desire the girl to
be sent to prison and was willing
to take her back.

After a few words of advice to
the girl, who repented for what
she had done, His Worship bound
her over on a sum of \$50 to come
up for judgment when called upon
at any time.

HEATED DEBATE.

BOUNDARY AGREEMENT
OPPOSED.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

The Daily Mail, after a heated
discussion, adjourned the debate on
President Cosgrave's motion on
the second reading of the Bill
ratifying the Irish Agreement,
although the motion of President
Cosgrave to suspend the standing
Orders so as to enable the second
reading to be taken to-night has
carried by 76 votes to 58 against
the opposition of the Labour and
Farmers' Parties.

FALSE CONTENTS.

UNIVERSITY PAPERS NOT
CHANGED.

TRADING DOWN RUMOURS.

In the Chinese papers this
morning appear statements that
last minute alterations were made
in examination papers owing to
information of their contents hav-
ing leaked out and that two
masters of Chinese schools have
been asked to attend at the
office of the Criminal Intelligence
Department in connection with
the matter.

What actually occurred was that
the University authorities had de-
finite information that informa-
tion purporting to be the contents
of papers had been divulged. The
titles of the essays to be set in
that examination had been given
as "the child father to the man"
and "among my books."

As a matter of fact no such
titles were set in any University
examination nor were they con-
templated. The enquiries have
been set afoot to get at the source
of the rumours and to prevent the
recurrence of such.

PEACE MISSION.

EX-CANTON OFFICIAL DUE
TO-DAY.

THE HONGKONG "TOURISTS."

A series of reports continue to
reach Hongkong from Canton,
in the absence of official intelligence,
regarding the preliminary moves
towards negotiation for strike
settlement.

Mr. Yeung Sai-ngam, (the
former Finance Minister) is due
back here to-day but it is in-
sisted that he is not vested with any
office.

Registration of names for in-
clusion in Hongkong's party to
visit Canton is almost complete
and the unofficial mission may
leave shortly. Vernacular news
is that the projected tour is view-
ed with much satisfaction by both
the Political Council and the
labour executives.

In view of the contradictory
nature of the news it seems likely
that the next move will be de-
cided when General Chiang Kai-
shek returns to Canton. He is
still stated to be in the East
River area directing reorganisa-
tion. Last week he reviewed the
troops at Changhai.

Meanwhile the merchant and
labour bodies are still discussing
the basis of representation at the
proposed negotiations.

FROM FAR EAST.

THROUGH ROUTE ACROSS
SIBERIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

Moscow, Dec. 7.

The international railway con-
ference has opened to discuss the
problem of through traffic from
the Far East to Western Europe
via Soviet Russia.

The conference is attended by
representatives of the Soviet
Government, France, Germany,
Japan, Latvia, Estonia, Lithu-
ania and Poland.

The proposed through route
will cover about 8,750 miles and
will be the longest in the world.

The journey from Tokyo to
Paris will take a fortnight.

WIRELESS STRIKE.

SHIPS SAIL WITHOUT
OPERATORS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

In the House of Commons, Sir
Philip Cunliffe-Lister stated that
reports from the principal ports
showed that up to the evening of
December 4, 25 passenger and
124 cargo ships had left without
wireless apparatus.

The number of passengers
affected was unavailable.

The Association of Wireless
and Cable Telegraphists claims
that over 400 operators have
joined in the strike.

OBITUARY.

(Reuter's American Service.)

New York, Dec. 7.

The death is announced of Mr.
Percival Smith Hill, President of
the American Tobacco Company.

CLAIMS DISMISSED.

HANNIBAL & CO. AND
CHINESE DEALER.

NO ESTABLISHED CRITERION.

The arrival of aniseed oil from
Kwangsi in kerosene tins on the
day of expiry of the contract was
held by Mr. Justice Wood in the
Supreme Court this morning not
to constitute their delivery ready
for re-shipment.

The dealer in question, Kung
Shun Cheong, had claimed that he
had performed his part of the
contract for such supply to W. A.
Hannibal and Co.

Hannibal and Co. had refused to
take delivery as they claimed the
goods were supplied too late and to
meet their obligations elsewhere
they had had to buy in the open
market. To re-ship it would have
been necessary for the oil to be
re-packed in drums and this could
not be done that day. They had
called that day earlier and could
not be given a definite guarantee
that the goods would arrive that
day.

A Pencil Note.
With regard to the actual con-
tract there had been discussion
with regard to a pencilled note in
the dealer's handwriting. This had
been made at the request of Hanni-
bal and Co. for a definite day of
arrival, and the dealer held that
it was merely to give an ap-
proximate time and not to bind
him in any way.

Mr. Justice Wood said he could
find no reported case in which
the Court had been asked to find
that a signature of one contract
which had been abandoned con-
stituted a sufficient guarantee to
an entirely new contract.

The claim of the dealer that he
was entitled to damages for Hanni-
bal and Co.'s refusal to take de-
livery was therefore dismissed
and so also was Hannibal and Co.'s
claim for the excess over contract
price which they had had to pay
in open market for the oil.

Mr. A. E. Arculli was for the
Chinese dealer and Mr. H. L.
Dennis for Hannibal and Co.

FIRE ESCAPES.

SHOULD THERE BE MORE
STATIONS?

ATTORNEY GENERAL'S SUGGESTION.

Approached by a "China Mail"
representative this morning with
regard to the wording of the
Ordinance which limits the powers
of enforcing alternative methods
of egress from a building
in case of fire to floors more than
40 feet above the ground, the Hon.
Mr. J. H. Kemp, K.C., Attorney-
General, pointed out certain dif-
ficulties which would be encour-
aged if the scope of the law were
extended.

Practically the only alternative
which presented itself was the
obligatory erection of steel ladders
and here there was a very obvious
difficulty in the shape of the re-
luctance of householders of small
houses to afford potential means
of entry to robbers. The dif-
ficulty with regard to having a
rope ladder would be that it would
never be kept complete or in good
condition.

As the Ordinance read at pre-
sent, floors under the height of 40
feet were presumably thought to
be within reach of ladders or
ropes, but the Attorney-General
admitted the seriousness of the
case of entrapped dwellers and
thought something in the nature
of a solution might be the pro-
vision of more fire escapes and
depots.

EMIGRATION.

FORTY-FIVE NATIONS
CONFER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rome, Dec. 7.

Forty-five nations are repre-
sented at the committee of the
International Conference on
emigration, the outcome of the
Rome Conference of 1924.

Premier Mussolini, in welcom-
ing the delegates, extolled the
work of the Rome Conference,
prominently drawing attention to
the problem of emigration to
which the war had given excep-
tional importance.

RUSH FOR SHARES.

RUBBER'S SOARING
PRICES.

LONDON EXCITEMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

The Stock Exchange excite-
ment in rubber shares is more
acute than ever.

This morning's business show-
ed a large accumulation of orders,
together with firmness of the
commodity causing a wild rush
for shares at soaring prices.

WILD EXCITEMENT.

Later.
There was wild excitement in
the rubber market yesterday
owing to the accumulation of
week-end orders. Subsequently
profit taking occurred in some
directions, and final quotations
were below the best, but the tone
was confident.

UNIONS CLOSED.

TURBULENT SEAMEN AT
SWATOW.

CANTON PARTY ACTS.

That the Seamen's Union at
Swatow has gone too far and has
accordingly been stripped of its
power to use weapons and
special message to the "Wah Tsz
Yat Po."

Various charges were laid
against the pickets controlled by
the Union, including the levying
of "squeeze" in sums of \$25 each
on passengers for Hongkong and
\$2,500 each for permission for
ships to discharge cargo, usurping
the power of the civil authorities
as to arrest, etc.

After a protracted hearing at
the Mayor's yamen a decision was
given against the Union, states the
report.

Hongkong Unions' Distress.
Rumours have been current
among the Chinese as to the rea-
son for the closing of a number of
local labour unions in Hongkong.
It has transpired that landlords
of premises occupied by 27 labour
guilds have taken out distress
warrants for arrears of rent.

When the strike began the
majority of guilds were left in
the hands of a "boy" or coolie.
After several months the rent be-
gan to accumulate and the re-
spective owners had to resort to
action.

In most of the guilds affected
the furniture and fixtures have
been auctioned under authority.
One result is that "Paddy's Mar-
ket" is now plentifully stocked
with union signboards, photo-
graphs of guild presidents and
other paraphernalia.

Among the best known unions
thus affected are the Chinese Seam-
en's Union, the two Federations
of local unions and nearly all the
guilds for domestic and/or office
servants of European employers.

SAVING WATER.

LIMITATION OF RIDER
MAIN SUPPLY.

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES.

There is considerably less water
in storage to-day than was the
case at this time last year (1,493
million gallons as compared with
1,749 million last year) so cer-
tain measures, as will be seen
from the water authority's notice,
have been deemed necessary as a
precaution.

Instead of a full 24-hour supply,
those who get their supply from
the rider mains at the expense of
the rates will have to be content
with a two-hour supply until fur-
ther notice. To householders who
pay for the water in excess which
they consume there will be no
change.

There is no acute shortage but
as nothing definite can be pre-
dicted with regard to future rain
supplies (no heavy fall sometimes
is experienced for a very consid-
erable period from now onwards) the
measure indicated has been deem-
ed necessary.

From Messrs. Lane, Crawford
& Co., Ltd., the "China Mail" has
received a new little desk calendar
printed in two colours and framed
in red leather. Very useful.

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Hours of
Slumber



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THE MARRIAGE VOW.

BRIDES MUST SAY
"OBEY."

A BISHOP'S VIEWS.

"What's in a word?" was the comment of an American newspaper on my protest against eliminating the word "obey" from the marriage service of the Prayer Book (says the Rt. Rev. Irving P. Johnson, D.D., Bishop of Colorado, U.S., in the "Evening News.")

This comment reminds me of the recent attitude of an Imperial Government toward written pledges.

There is nothing in a word if there is no conscience or character back of the word.

It is evident to the most casual thinker that the presence of a word in or out of the marriage ceremony will not and cannot become a panacea for the offences against the sacred contract of matrimony committed by those who will promise anything to secure something they think they want.

The mission of the Church is to set standards for its members, not to furnish panaceas for society, and the standards so set must be those which are real as against the sentimental theories of feminists, agnostics, and socialists on their effort to substitute fancies for realities.

The proposition is not "Shall the word 'obey' be inserted in the marriage ceremony?" but whether it shall be taken out and, if so, why. To take it out implies that there is an unfitness in the word to describe the fact.

What is the fact? It is that the family is an ancient institution founded upon certain principles that are inherent in society, and which cannot be eliminated from the social order by legislative enactment or pietistic theories.

THE HEAD OF THE HERD.
When you show me a cow-moose at the head of the herd I will concede that woman is naturally fitted to be the head of the family.

The family is based upon the very idea of obedience, and the absence of that idea will turn the family into a perpetual debating society.

When a woman is asked to obey her husband she does not impair the glory of her womanhood, but enhances it. In the family corporation either man is the head or else it is presided over by a committee of two, which has no way of determining a majority vote except in the divorce court or in an endurance test.

It is freely conceded that man may frequently be as utterly unfitted to be the head of the family as were many colonels in the late war unfitted to preside over their regiments, but the remedy of this unfitness is not to give authority to the head sergeant of a company when the colonel is unfit, but rather to be more careful in the selection of colonels.

In the same way the remedy for the unfitness of some husbands is not to change the status of all husbands, but to exhort young women to be more careful in their selection of life leadership. I fully believe in woman's rights and in the correction of woman's wrongs, but I do not believe headship of the family is one of her rights, nor that changing the status of the family relationship is the way in which to cure the wrongs that the individual woman may discover in the system.

Modernism may have done many things to elevate the race, but I see nothing in modern women or modern families which gives them the right to assume that they are an improvement in the single particular of home life upon their forebears. In fact, the one thing that has actually suffered most under modernism is the family.

In America they have changed the home into a lodging-house and the family circle into a cafeteria, and their assumption that theories are justified by the culture of those who proposed them must submit to the acid test of experiment.

SOLDIERS OBEY!

I see nothing in the influence of modernism on the home to make me feel that their jejune theories can take the place of universal tradition as to the place of the man in the family. When you have advanced woman to that position, you have not glorified the woman and you have debased the man, because God made man to be the head of the family, and you can no more alter the will of God in the social order than you can change the laws of biology to suit your fancy.

STOPS CROUP.

It stops croup. That's why mothers keep Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in the house. It contains no narcotics and is best for the children. For sale everywhere.

Of course, in the ideal marriage the man and woman are companions, and they will neither profit nor lose by the injection of "obey" into the contract. That is equally true of any contract. Between gentlemen no contract is necessary. The purpose of the word "obey" in the marriage service is simply to set a standard which the Church believes to be a law of God. To take the word out is to infer that the children are wiser than their Heavenly Father in their assumption that this relationship is not ideal.

The word "obey" connotes no servility. We obey the civil authorities without debasing ourselves. Children show their breeding by their obedience to parents. Soldiers are judged by their capacity to obey.

"Wives! obey your husband!" is merely a statement of an ideal relationship, and in no wise degrades the wife nor confers upon the husband any arrogant or despotic power.

If he loves, honours, and cherishes her she will find her greatest joy in following his leadership. If he does not love, honour, nor cherish her, the mass will not be remedied by her assumption of a leadership which further degrades him and does not elevate her. It is the utmost folly to suppose that a natural relationship can be mended merely by inserting a hopeless muddle.

God's LAW.
The only effect of deleting the word "obey" from the marriage service will be to make self-pity a virtue and divorce an easy way out of a relationship in which no binding obligations have been made.

It means that marriage is an experimental tragedy in which helpless children are the innocent bystanders and self-indulgent parents may violate the laws of God with an easier conscience than before.

The laws of God were never made to enable selfish people to indulge their selfishness with impunity.

Those only really object to the word "obey" who lack confidence in the leadership of him whom they elect to marry. Any other objection is merely academic, and the object of the one about to marry is really a reason why she should not marry at all.

Every game should be played according to the rules. We may change the rules only when we have authority to change them. The game of married life is one that must be played according to those rules of human relationship which are inherent in the sexes, and which cease only in that heavenly kingdom where contractual relationships give way to celestial fellowship.

What God hath joined together, no legislature can put asunder.

"I'm going to the theatre to-night," remarked Jack, as he met a friend in the station. "I wish you could come with me; but I suppose you are going out with that sweetheart of yours."

"No, I'm not," replied the other man sadly.

"What's the trouble?" asked Jack sympathetically. "Have you had a tiff?"

"Well, I don't know if you'd call it just a tiff. But last time we met I said I was leaving her for ever, and she told me to go."

Jack had been the principal party in several of the modern engagements, which are not unbreakable. So he came forward with a piece of advice.

"Now, look here," he said, "if you're any man at all, you'll stay away from her for at least two evenings!"



WILLIAM E. GRADY

William Grady, "Alaskan 'sourdough' who first discovered nuggets in Gold Pan Creek, British Columbia, nonchalantly exhibited about \$10,000 worth of dust and nuggets in a store.

SHORT DRESSES.

WHEN FASHION IS KING.

ARCHBISHOP PLEASURES PARISIENNES.

"Parisiennes have such good taste in the art of dressing that I am obliged to let many enter the Notre Dame wearing crasses inches shorter in length than I would permit if I stopped and measured them at the doorway," said Cardinal Dubois, Archbishop of Paris, commenting on the Pope's decree to the effect that women indecently dressed should not be admitted to sacraments.

"Fashion is only the most popular way of expressing art. God is the friend of all real artists. Heaven forbid that the Archbishop should have to tell Parisiennes that they must not follow fashions. I have a preference for the old time dresses but we are not living in an age of draperies."

The Archbishop added that bobbed hair was a sign of the times and it was not a sin.

"I am very sorry for the masculine modern girl desiring to resemble man. Thereby she loses all her charm."

Parisiennes welcoming the Archbishop's declaration as a way round the Vatican's warning, point out that most women prefer to follow the decrees of the Fashion Kings of the Rue de la Paix rather than the Pope's.

"IF" WINTER, COMES."

CITED IN A PERJURY TRIAL.

The trial was resumed at the Old Bailey in midweek of Edward Lawrence Patrick O'Toole, aged 51, school-master, of Dudley House, Lee, on a charge of perjury in the High Court. It was postponed from last Sessions owing to the illness of O'Toole, after the evidence had been completed.

The alleged perjury consisted of a denial by O'Toole, during the hearing of a slander action, that he had been intimate with Miss Howard, who had sworn that he was the father of her three children.

Mr. A. S. Comyns Carr, K.C., addressed the jury for O'Toole. Dealing with O'Toole's statement that he had befriended Miss Howard by adopting her first child through motives of pity and Christian charity, counsel said:

"Many of you may remember the character of Mark Sabre in 'If Winter Comes.' He was a man who in the face of incredulity of his own wife's partners, and his friends, befriended a girl in distress and about to become a mother took her into his own house, and kept her there even though his wife left him and everybody thought there could be only one motive to induce him to act in that way. 'According to the doctrines of the man of the world, you could not believe that story, but if you have read the book you believe it, and believe it true of human nature that there are men who will do as he did.'"

Mr. Gerald Dodson replied for the crown.

A traveller staying at a small hotel wished to catch an early morning train; and asked the proprietor for the loan of an alarm clock.

She produced the clock, and remarked: "We don't often use it, sir, and sometimes it sticks a bit, but if it doesn't go off just touch that little hammer, and it'll ring all right."

X-RAY DEATHS.

MARTYRS OF SCIENCE.

SOME NOTABLE EXAMPLES.

The death of Professor Maxwell Leifroy at St. George's Hospital adds one further name to the long list of those who have sacrificed their lives for the advancement of science.

In recent years (says a writer in the "Morning Post"), X-rays have perhaps claimed the greatest number of victims, and there has been case after case, both in this country and abroad, where X-ray practitioners have suffered first mutilation and then death, as a result of their devotion to research work and to the interests of their patients. To enumerate the list of X-ray martyrs would be tedious. In this connection the experience of St. Thomas's Hospital is significant of what has occurred throughout the hospitals of the country.

Dr. A. Barry Blacker, who entered the hospital as a student in 1879, was one of the pioneers in introducing the X-rays into hospital practice, and it was his work, done in a small basement, that led the Governors to create the new department where the work is now being carried on. He was operated on again and again, and eventually died from septicæmia caused through the rays.

Sir Archibald Reid joined the hospital staff in 1912 to take charge of the X-ray work. He was a keen enthusiast, and when he came to St. Thomas's his fingers were already slightly damaged as a result of work done with the rays when the necessary precautions were not clearly understood. Despite the pain caused by the burns and the fact that his constitution was seriously undermined, owing to the constant exposure to the rays, he never shirked his obligations, and died as a direct result of his work in 1924, after only twelve years' service to the hospital.

YELLOW FEVER.

The conquest of yellow fever took its toll of human life, after Sir Ronald Ross had definitely proved how malaria was transmitted by the mosquito. Dr. Lazear permitted himself to be bitten by a mosquito which had previously bitten a person suffering with yellow fever, contracted the disease, and died within a few days.

In the same year the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine sent Dr. A. T. Durham and Dr. Walter Myers to Para to study yellow fever in that country. Both became infected, and Dr. Myers died of fever.

In connection with yellow fever work there was heroism on the part both of civilians and of the medical profession. Two private soldiers, for instance, volunteered their services for experimental purposes though warned of the danger and probable suffering involved. Both of them made the stipulation that they should receive no pecuniary reward, and Dr. Reed, who was in charge of the research expedition, touched his cap to them and said respectfully, "Gentlemen, I salute you." One of the soldiers, who allowed the infected mosquitoes to bite him, had a harp attack of yellow fever, but the crucial experiment demonstrated that the scourge of the tropics was carried by the mosquito.

African diseases have claimed victims from among those conducting research upon them, and in 1907 Dr. Tulloch, working at a time when it was believed that sleeping sickness could not be contracted by white men, died from it in the course of his investigations.

STRIKING CASES.

John Hunter perhaps stands pre-eminent as an experimenter who defied personal risks. He deliberately infected himself with venereal disease and allowed it to run its course for a long period before, as he expressed it, knocking it down with mercury. Hunter suffered for years with *syphilis*, and died of it probably as a result of his self-experimentation.

Bichat, who made a special study of the pathology of the tissues, and died at thirty, almost certainly lost his life as a result of being directly infected in the course of his investigations. On July 8, 1802, he was examining some macerated tissues which were in such an advanced state of putrefaction that the students were driven out of the laboratory by the odour. On the following day he tried to resume his professional activities, but was seized by a violent headache. He succumbed to typhoid fever on July 22.

It is, perhaps, a little-known fact that Napoleon himself narrowly escaped a serious accident

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through his interest in scientific discovery. When, as a result of the big valanic pile at the Royal Institution, sodium and potassium were isolated, Napoleon was furious that the discovery had not been made by a Frenchman.
He demanded an explanation, and was told that it was because Frenchmen of science had not a powerful enough battery. He ordered one to be constructed, and came to inspect it. Before he could be prevented he placed its terminals on his tongue to test the current, took the shock, and left the laboratory without saying a word.

LOSS TO BIOLOGY.
Professor Leifroy's death is a disaster to the cause of applied biology, but his memory would best be served if the cause to which he devoted his life was promoted. Deaths occur month after month solely because the principles for which he stood are not put into practice. Had he lived applied biology would have been further advanced, but the fact remains that advantage is not yet taken of the facts that have been so hardy won.

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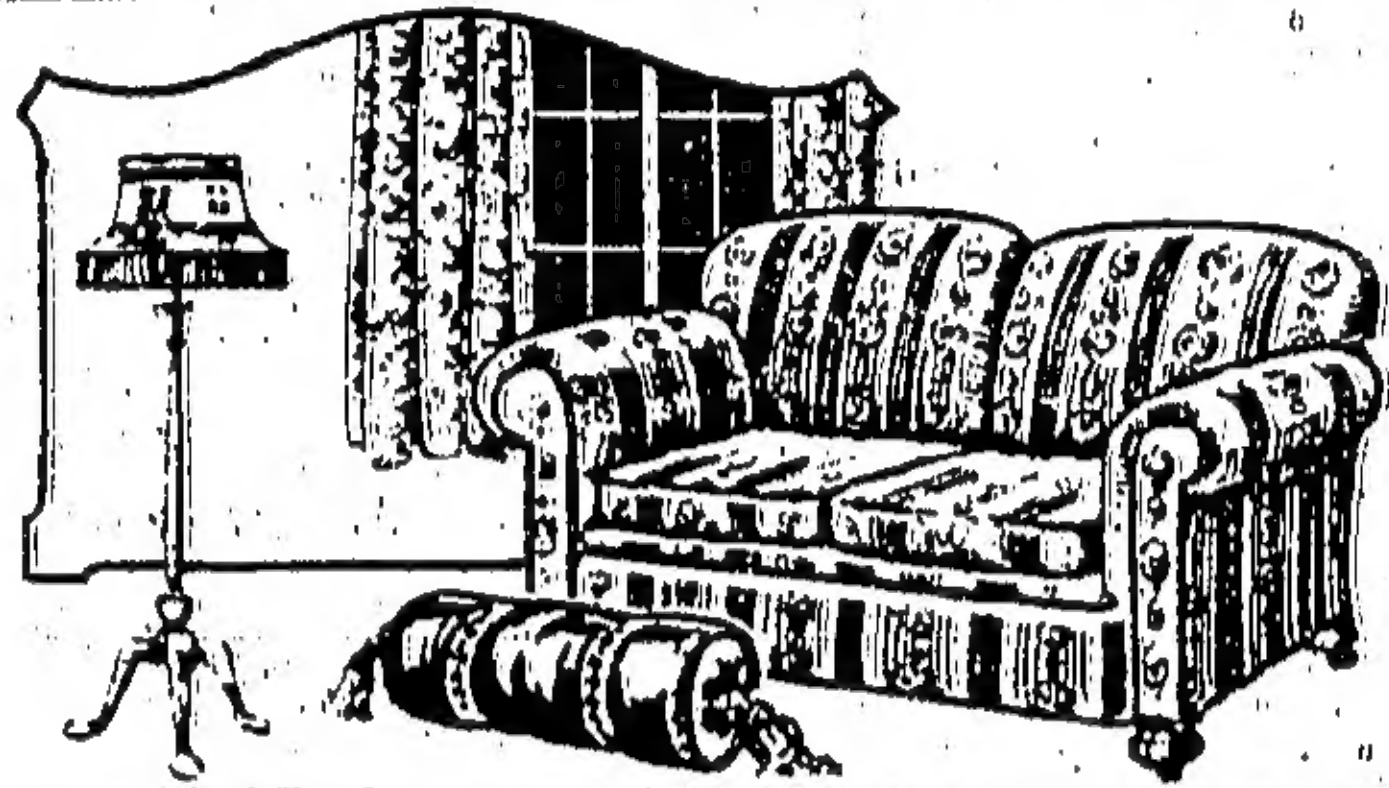
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TEACHING THE COOLIE.

The present Archbishop of York once advised the nation to keep its eye on the man with the cloth cap. He meant, of course, the working man. If the Archbishop only knew him, he might urge us to keep our eyes on the Chinese coolie, who perhaps represents the great illiterate class of China. Hitherto this patient, persistent person has been left severely alone. Even his own people have neglected him under the impression—mistaken probably—that all he was interested in was rice and shelter. There is a movement afoot—has been for some years—in which Hongkong should be particularly interested. Interested because one of her Chinese son's is the originator and leader of the movement. He is not a Hongkong-born Chinese, this young man. He came here, saw and conquered. There are not a few in Hongkong who remember Y. C. James Yen at St. Stephen's College, to become later one of the University's early graduates. "Nature's gentleman" readily describes James Yen's character and all that goes with it. His departure for America did not exactly result in that forgetfulness which marks the going out of so many of us. Yen's ideal was service and it is good to read what he is doing amongst the submerged of his own people. Yen saw war service in the coolie camps, and effected wonderful work amongst the men during perhaps their worst period in their hours off duty. How he evolved a "1,000 character" method and gained the unstinted interest of the coolies reads as romance. To limit the

Chinese vocabulary to a thousand of the most commonly-used characters from the Chinese Classics, was no mean feat: to get coolies interested must be admitted an additional one. The movement, we believe, spread to Hongkong, but little seems to be known of it. There were four night schools in the Colony under the auspices of the Chinese Y.M.C.A., with students—we think the word can rightly be used—from different classes of labourers, all showing a desire to learn. The promoters, we believe, experienced a difficulty in getting qualified teachers. It would be interesting to have authentic information as to the course of the movement. It would seem a subject which should have the sympathy of the Education Board, and certainly of those who admit that in being able to read is the first pathway to thinking. The significance of this essentially Chinese mass education movement seems to be twofold. It offers a sceptical world evidence that, even in this distracted period China has within herself the power to organise her own inner salvation. It offers to China the promise that knowledge may soon, in their land, come to be a depreciable possession. The Colony, with its large illiterate population, should be keenly interested. If the "1,000 characters" method has become moribund, steps should be taken to revive it. For it will be a practical way of showing sympathy with those who, like the poor, are always with us.

FUNERAL.

YESTERDAY'S HAPPY VALLEY CEREMONY.

The funeral of Mr. David Alfred Morris, 3rd Engineer of the Indo-China Cais. S.S. "Mansang," took place at Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday evening, the service being conducted by the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave. A large number of friends were present, the mourners including Capt. Cumming, Messrs. J. J. Brown, R. B. Robertson, N. H. Bennett, H. Miller, E. J. Merritt and G. R. Rothwell (of the S.S. "Mansang"), Superintendent Captains Kennedy and Skinner, Superintendent Engineer Sanderson (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.), Messrs. J. Smith, G. H. Hodgson, H. A. Honchen, B. Hoare, J. B. Hamilton, J. Matthews, P. J. Dixon, W. J. Stakes, J. S. Fraser, J. Thorburn, J. Glen, P. T. Farrell and Inspector Clark. Floral tributes were sent by the following: "Sorrowing Relatives," Mr. and Mrs. Thorburn, Mr. and Mrs. Glen, Capt. and Mrs. C. E. Webb, Capt. Cumming, Messrs. P. T. Farrell, N. H. Bennett, P. W. Hartley, W. Sanderson, R. B. Robertson and brother officers, T. J. Dixon, Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bliss and family, Captain Officers and Engineers, S.S. "Kutang," the Marine Engineers' Guild, Marine Engineers' Institute, Seamen's Institute, Kowloon Dock Drawing Office Staff, Superintendent, Indo-China S.N. Company, and the General Managers, Indo-China S.N. Company.

WILD MEN.

Longtime awaited any news of the wild men of the North Borneo. The "China Mail" reporter to seek an interview with the Hon. Mountstuart Elphinstone, Matag Director of the Chartered Company responsible for the Government of North Borneo, on the occasion of a recent visit to Hongkong. "In the interior jungle of North Borneo there are believed to be vestiges of cannibalism, head hunters and tribes who employ the deadly blowpipe," our representative remarked to the Hon. Mountstuart Elphinstone,

in the office of Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Co., Ltd., the local agents.

Mr. Elphinstone, of fine physique and sunburnt of countenance, might very well have been one whose life is spent in the open facing continually threatening dangers such as these, but he hastened to disillusion the reporter, and smilingly assured him that even in the interior one might almost expect anything with the exception of cannibalism or headhunters, and life at places such as Sankadan and Jesselton was along as safe lines as it was at Hongkong.

Asked if he would compare the social activities of Hongkong with North Borneo, Mr. Elphinstone said that the British population here being more or less together, much more could obviously be arranged in that direction in Hongkong, but could in the protectorate, but considering that there were only a matter of four hundred white people in North Borneo this side of life was quite well looked after.

"The idea most people get from the expression 'the wild man of Borneo' is quite a false one," said Mr. Elphinstone in reply to another question. "The native of Borneo is not a bad type." The derivation of the expression was no doubt due, he remarked, to the numbers of orang-outangs found there.

Of this far jungle land on the fringe of the China sea little is known save in the circle of those personally interested in it. As a rule it is pictured as a country of wild men, dense forests and pestilential fevers. The wild men, so authorities inform us, are to be found in the persons of peaceable and childlike natives and the forests are there but the climate is said to be, for the tropics, exceptionally healthy. The drawback would appear to be in the absence of hill stations where the hard-working, the weary and worn-out may recuperate and the less hard-working, less weary and less worn-out may repay for a pleasant holiday.

Borneo owes much of its present comparative security to James Brooke who visited the island in 1840 and found the north and west coasts in a condition of wretchedness and anarchy. With ten of the English crew of his ship the "Royalist" he joined with the Rajah of Sarawak in the suppression of piracy. The modern history of North Borneo may be said to have commenced in 1846 when the British Government entered into a treaty with the Sultan of Brunei, wherein it is recited that their desire was "to encourage commerce between Her Majesty's subjects and the subjects of the independent rulers of the eastern seas and to put an end to piracies which have hitherto obstructed that commerce."

SHREDS AND PATCHES.

The Shreds man is able to contradict the rumour that a Little Bit of Fluff was written either by a member of the Legislative Council, a Revenue officer, or a Broker.

The recent appearance of the actress, distinguished Chinese actress, raised the question of when actresses first appeared on the English stage. In Shakespeare's day, of course, and long after, all the women's parts on the stage were taken by men and boys.

It was, so far as old records go, at a theatre in Vere-street, Chancery Market, near Lincoln's inn-field—a district since swept away to make Kingway and Aldwych—that the first actress appeared. This was on Saturday, December 8, 1660, when a woman took the part of Desdemona in "Othello."

The occasion was so notable that there was written for it a prologue, to introduce the first woman that came to act on the stage, in the tragedy called "The Moor of Venice." It was at this theatre, as he recalls in his diary, that Pope first saw a woman on the stage. He makes mention, too, of another of the earliest actresses, whose name is not recorded, who attained celebrity in the part of Roxane in "The Siege of Rhodes."

She became well known, also, by MOORE MARRIAGE, her sad experience with Aubrey de Vere, an earl of the days of Charles II. The earl loved her and persuaded her to marry him.

His presence at a clergyman and another man as witness and the marriage was solemnised with all due ceremonies in the presence of one of her fellow players.

But, alas, for the unhappy actress, the marriage proved to be a mock one. The so-called priest was but the earl's trumpeter. "She pleaded before the King for redress, but nothing was done," beyond granting her an annuity, and she returned to the stage, no doubt as she had hoped, but only Roxane once more.

At last it had come! Failure. The great crash which he had feared and had endeavoured to fight against, which had hastened it.

He had stood along, his cap pulled down over his eyes in the attempt to hide his shame from the crowd of onlookers. It seemed to him that the world around was full of jeering eyes and pointing fingers. He quickened his step, but how different from his jaunty air such a short time ago before he had met this fate.

What of his boy, Jack, at school, and so proud of his father? How would he be able to face his companions when he saw the disgrace of his idol blazoned forth in the newspapers?

How he had resolved to prevent this catastrophe! He had faced his fate squarely, had watched it approach, and, every muscle and nerve tense, had endeavoured to turn it aside.

But not! It was not to be. The boy had beaten him, and he crept into the pavilion as the score registered "Last man."

"IOLANTHE."

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S PRODUCTION.

Hongkong has had the opportunity of seeing that most humorous farce, "A Little Bit of Fluff," which was so excellently staged by the A.D.C. They are now to be treated to an entirely different type of entertainment in the production of Gilbert & Sullivan's famous Opera "Iolanthe" by the Philharmonic Society, the first performance of which commences at 9-15 p.m. on Friday, December 11, at the Theatre Royal.

This Opera was first produced at the Savoy in London about 40 years ago and was an immediate success, and has been revived on several occasions since. It has always been a favourite with amateurs largely because of its many enchanting musical numbers, whilst Gilbert's satire, almost at its best in this Opera, readily appeals to the sense of humour of the audience.

The plot is a typically Gilbertian one. England's Lord Chancellor has married a Fairy, Iolanthe, an unpardonable offence on the part of the latter, punishable by death, the Queen of the Fairies, who loves her, has commuted the sentence to penal servitude for life on condition that she leaves her husband and never sees him again. To be near her son, Strephon, (half fairy and half mortal) Iolanthe decides to work out her sentence at the bottom of a well.

Meanwhile the Lord Chancellor, thinking her dead, has allowed himself to fall in love with his beautiful ward, Phyllis, as indeed have all the House of Peers.

Phyllis, however, has already fallen in love with Strephon who is an Arcadian Shepherd, but when she sees him fondling Iolanthe (who never grows old) she rejects him and gives her hand, but not her heart, to one of the Lords. Eventually matters are satisfactorily explained and the Lord Chancellor is re-united to Iolanthe, but as the Fairy Laws explicitly state that every Fairy who marries a mortal must die, and every fairy has already married a Peer, the Queen is in a quandary. The Lord Chancellor, however, with the true subtlety of the law, suggests that the addition of a single word will put matters right, whereon the word "don't" is added with unanimous approval; the Queen, not to be left in the cold, invites the Sentries, Private Willis, to marry her, all become Fairies and troubles are at an end.

OVERCOMING DIFFICULTIES.

Although the troubles are so easily overcome in the Opera, the Philharmonic Society have found more difficulty in overcoming those which have occurred during the preparatory stage. First Mr. W. G. Wheller, who was so successful in producing "The Yeomen of the Guard" and "The Gondoliers" left the Colony early in the year, and another pro-

ducer had to be found. Luckily in Mr. R. R. Davies they have a man with a full knowledge of Gilbert and Sullivan Operas and boundless energy, and it is safe to say that he will uphold the traditions of Gilbert and Sullivan to the full in the production of Iolanthe.

The Band parts of these Operas are difficult to obtain so far out East—and have caused the Musical Conductor (Mr. S. Collett) much trouble and anxiety. These were eventually obtained from India through the kind assistance of the Madras Dramatic Society, but it is only during the last few days that the Overture has become available.

Sickness has also rendered several of the Principals several-debilitated during rehearsals, one lady having the misfortune to sprain her ankle and others suffering from the local complaint, dengue fever. Also the gentleman talking the leading part among the men, has been indisposed but it is hoped will be well enough to appear when the first performance is given; if not, an excellent deputy will be available. Two points in connection with this latest effort of the Philharmonic Society call for special mention. Firstly, a matinee (children half price) is being given on Wednesday, December 16th, at 4.30, whilst containing all the essentials of a Gilbert and Sullivan production, it also includes the "Fairy element" and therefore is one of the rare Hongkong performances suitable for children. As this particular performance is likely to be well patronised, it would be advisable for all those intending to take their children to book early. Anderson's are already busy with bookings for this occasion.

Secondly, the bulk of any profits that may accrue are to be given to our local Charities; Hongkong residents are not being asked to "give" their money to charity, but if they are satisfied that they have had their money's worth on the occasion of their first visit to Iolanthe, it is hoped that they will not hesitate to book for a second visit if any seats are available so that there may be no vacant seats in the House that, if occupied, would have assisted the cause of Charity whilst at the same time, giving full value for money.

XMAS MAIL.

This s.s. "Macedonia" is due to arrive on Thursday with the first batch of Christmas mails from Home (letters and papers dated London, November 13, and parcels of November 5).

According to advance information received by the local Post Office, there are 1,042 ordinary parcels and 275 insured packages. The Christmas mail from Canada and the U.S.A. are on board the s.s. "Empress of Canada" due here on December 17th.

A SPY?

"THE NEW MATA HARI"
ARRESTED.

PRIVING INTO AVIATION.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Dec. 7.

Great interest is being taken in the case of a young woman, Marcelle Monseil, otherwise Marthe Moreil, described by the press as "the new Mata Hari," arrested on a charge of being a spy in the service of a foreign Power for the purpose of enquiring about the aviation services of France.

Monseil, interrogated by the examining magistrate, admitted she had been engaged in espionage work since March last, on behalf of certain English merchants stated to be dealers in wireless apparatus.

It is also stated she had been investigating the number, make and capacity of aeroplanes at the bases of St. Nazaire, Bordeaux, Hyeres, and St. Raphael, and the organisation of the aerodromes.

Three other persons, stated to be Englishmen, for whom Monseil worked, were subsequently brought before the magistrate and examined secretly, after which all four were taken to prison.

It is stated Monseil nearly eluded the police as she read papers giving news of the arrest of a man who was alleged also to be engaged in espionage, whereupon Monseil immediately destroyed the documents she was carrying, hidden in her clothing. [Mata Hari was a notorious woman spy in the war. She came originally from Java.]

NOT YET.

BRITAIN AND RUSSIAN
QUESTIONS.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

In their House of Commons, Commander Kenworthy asked whether, in view of Mr. Chichester's presence in Paris and the recent conferences with Mr. Briand, the Government would take the opportunity and hold similar conferences with a view to the settlement of outstanding questions. Mr. Ronald McNeill replied that the Government had received no indication that Mr. Chichester desired such a conference.

The Government was not prepared to make those concrete proposals for a settlement of outstanding questions without which a further conference would not serve any useful purpose.

FRANCE'S FINANCES.

HOW TO FIND THE
MONEY.

NEW MINISTER'S PLANS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Dec. 7.

The scope of the opposition to exercise disagreement is contained in a comprehensive financial policy which M. Loucheur has embodied in seven separate Bills, including measures creating fresh sources revenue, establishing a Sinking Fund, preventing fiscal frauds and the flight of capital, altering railway rates and improving methods of collection of income tax.

M. Loucheur hopes ultimately to secure an additional eight milliard francs annually.

CUSTOM'S DUTIES

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 8.

The House of Commons, after the discussion on the report stage of clause three of the Safeguarding resolutions, passed in committee last week, confirmed and embodied a special Finance Bill entitled The Safeguarding Industries and Customs Duties Bill, which was formally read for the first time.

SHANGHAI RIOT.

STUDENT REPORTED
KILLED.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, Dec. 7.

In defiance of orders by the police and military, students held a demonstration in Chinese territory last evening.

The military forcibly broke up the crowd and encountered fierce student resistance, necessitating the firing of a volley overhead, as a result of which a student is reported to have been killed.

NOTABLE SCHEME.

RECIPROCAL RESEARCH
SCHEMES.

ROCKEFELLER OFFER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Melbourne, Dec. 7.

The Rockefeller Foundation has offered to establish reciprocal research scholarships between American and Australian universities.

Mr. Copland, Professor of Commerce in the Melbourne University, has been invited to the United States to settle details of the scheme which is somewhat similar to the Rhodes Scholarships.

Candidates must have graduated in economics and commerce.

FRANCE'S ENVOY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Dec. 7.

The appointment of Mr. Henri Berengue as Ambassador at Washington has been confirmed.

ALLEGED FRAUD.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH
CONSPIRACY.

STORY OF A GAMBLER.

A Chinese was charged before the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday with conspiring with others, not in custody, to defraud an unemployed seaman of \$2,000.

The case as outlined by Detective Inspector Pincott was that the defendant claimed acquaintance with the complainant and induced him to part with a sum of \$2,000 on the promise of securing for him a position as commander through another man named Chau. On a later visit to the house to obtain a receipt for the money, the complainant was invited to join a gambling party, but he refused. Here he was introduced to a man by the name of Leung. One of the gamblers lost all his money and claimed that he and complainant were partners in the game, the money paid being his share of the losses.

Mr. J. M. Remedios, appearing for the defendant, applied for a remand on the ground that he had only just received instructions. He spoke of the complainant suggesting to the defendant that they should carry on business as opium smugglers. The defendant said that he had no money and introduced the complainant to Chau. The latter suggested that the complainant should go into a gambling business with Leung. This was agreed to, the complainant acting as banker. Besides losing \$24,000 in cash to Leung, the complainant also signed a note for \$2,000 which he handed to the same man. Fearing that he would be sued for his money, the complainant then instigated the present charge against the defendant.

The case was adjourned until Thursday.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMER.

The B.P. s.s. "Tama" which was due here to-day from Calcutta via Singapore has been delayed by bad weather and is expected to arrive on Dec. 10.

EX-EMPEROR ILL.



EX-EMPEROR OF CHINA, PUYI, DEPOSED EMPEROR OF CHINA, IS ILL OF TUBERCULOSIS.—(Chicago Tribune special service to Manila Bulletin.)

Peking, December 4.—Reports from Tientsin say that Hsuan Tung, deposed Emperor of China, is ill of tuberculosis.—(Chicago Tribune special service to Manila Bulletin.)

HEAVY BURDEN.

COAL SUBSIDY COSTS
\$19,000,000.FURTHER \$1,100,000 FOR
WEMBLEY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

That the coal subsidy has cost the nation \$19,000,000 is revealed in the supplementary estimates showing that the original estimate of \$10,000,000 was exceeded by \$9,000,000.

At the same time the estimates provide for \$1,100,000, the Government's share of the Wembley guarantee.

NEW F.O. MAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

Mr. F. Locker Lampson, has been appointed Parliamentary Under Secretary in the Foreign Office in succession to Mr. Ronald McNeill.

ANCIENT CULTURE.

"EARLY MAN IN BORNEO."

HELENA MAY LECTURE.

At the Helena May Institute yesterday, Prof. J. L. Shellshear, lecturing on "Early Man in Borneo," detailed a visit to Borneo this year to try and find traces of the ancient culture of the natives of the land. He spent most of his time round the mountain of Santubong at the foot of which he had found a stone image, a carving of a woman on a sandstone rock.

It was discovered in 1886 by a Malay fisherman and represented the Great Mother. A striking feature was the peculiar form of head-dress, which might ultimately form the clue to the identity of the designers. Dr. Dart who had found in Africa what had been termed the "missing link" had discovered similar images in Rhodesia.

The lecturer showed a picture of the image on the rock below which was the small creek which had been a mighty river. At a depth of four feet in the bank nearly a dozen crucibles, which had iron slag attached thereto and in a quantity of iron slag pottery which had been found in Borneo today. This must, therefore, have been a place of considerable industrial activity. The reason was not far to seek, as the spot must have been an ideal place for a harbour from which these early things made from iron might have been exported.

Prof. Shellshear went on to describe other interesting relics which he found there. After spending a good deal of time in a large cave by the side of the river he set dyaks to dig at its oldest part while he swam in the river to cool himself. These dyaks called him, with great excitement and on arriving at the spot he found they had dug up a very fine example of a bronze axe. These discoveries formed a junction between the bronze and the iron ages.

A picture of all kinds of stone axes which had been found in Borneo was shown and the lecturer said they formed a link of connection between the early neolithic age right down to the bronze age of man.

There was in Kuching, Sarawak, a wonderful museum established by an earlier Rajah who was determined to preserve the whole history of Borneo by endeavouring to prevent anything found there being taken out of the country. Except for the British Museum it had the finest collection of insects and weapons and traces of every form of animals ever seen there.

In conclusion, the lecturer made an appeal. He said they wanted to show the Chinese that they were out to try and develop their country. Could we not study their customs and try and find out something about their early civilization? There were evidences of it and this ought to be the centre where we could try and build up the links connecting up their long history. Science had its important side.

The Chairman (Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hongkong) thanked the lecturer, saying he had found his remarks of intense interest. He also appealed for more to be done in discovering the early facts of Chinese history. They lived in days in which they were busy and harassed but he asked them to remember that Hongkong University was not in existence solely for conferring B.A. degrees, but to try to do something to enlarge the confines of knowledge of science and history in this part of the world.

OUR SCOUTS.

BRONING TRIP TO THE
HIMALAYAS.

STRIKE WORK.

The work of the Boy Scouts during the month when labour was withdrawn from Hongkong is referred to in the "Silver Wolf," the first number to be published since the organisation was put at the service of the public during that time.

The Commissioner writes as follows:—The splendid number of Scouts who volunteered from the very commencement of the trouble for special service was an inspiration in itself, especially in view of the fact that very many scouts were sent away by their parents at once, in anticipation of dangers which fortunately did not arise owing to the effort made by all sane and loyal members of the Community to see that order was preserved.

In the last few weeks have come many letters of appreciation of the services rendered, showing that Scouts have proved true to the great reputation and tradition of the Brotherhood.

From the point of view of the Scouts themselves, the time has been full of benefit, for it has enabled them to put their training to the valuable test of practical experience, and many have now acquired a more than theoretical knowledge of First Aid work. Also Scout Activities have been widespread, for many took the chance offered by the P.M. and in so doing were able to get a broader view of the world by their feeding visits to Japan and Canada.

POUNDING POINT.

That Scouting is now generally recognised as a real part in the life of the Colony not only by official bodies but by the public at large is shown by the fact that at the P.M. Hong Kong Disaster, a Scoutmaster found two non-scouts, one a lad and the other a man, using an imitation of Scout Uniform or a Scout Badge picked up somewhere near a passport to the scene of operations.

In addition to the Commissioner's statement of the interesting articles, sections of the British Empire Exhibition referring to the preparation of the site at Jomun as a future transit ground, new codes, and references to the departure of Sir R. F. St. John, and Mr. Claud Severn who had taken keen interest in the work.

COMPANY REPORT.

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING
& MINING CO., LTD.

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., was held in London on December 2, 1925, when the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended June 30, 1925, was submitted.

The net result of the year's transactions shows a loss to the credit of Profit and Loss Account of £14,120 made up as follows:—

Proportion of Kailash Mining Administration's Profit plus China Interest	£286,094
Exchange	2,209
Interest in Europe	22,085
Agency Fees	6,000
Repayment of Excess Provision Duty	22,479
Sundry	148
Balance brought forward (less sundry items)	185,406
	£494,431

Deduct:	
Expenses in Europe	£15,561
Cost of New Coupons & Share Warrants	65
Directors' Fees	4,200
Income Tax	90,465
Interim Dividend paid 7/5/25	70,000
	£180,311

Reserves and balance of £314,120

which the Directors recommended should be appropriated as follows:—

Final Dividend of 5 per cent. (less of Income Tax)	£70,000
Directors' Per Centages	2,885
Balance carried forward	241,235
	£314,120

London, December 4.—The chartered accountants' statement of the latest accounts of the British Empire Exhibition shows that up to the present time the financial loss is nearly £1,500,000. The immediate liability of the guarantors is fixed at £15 million in the pound.

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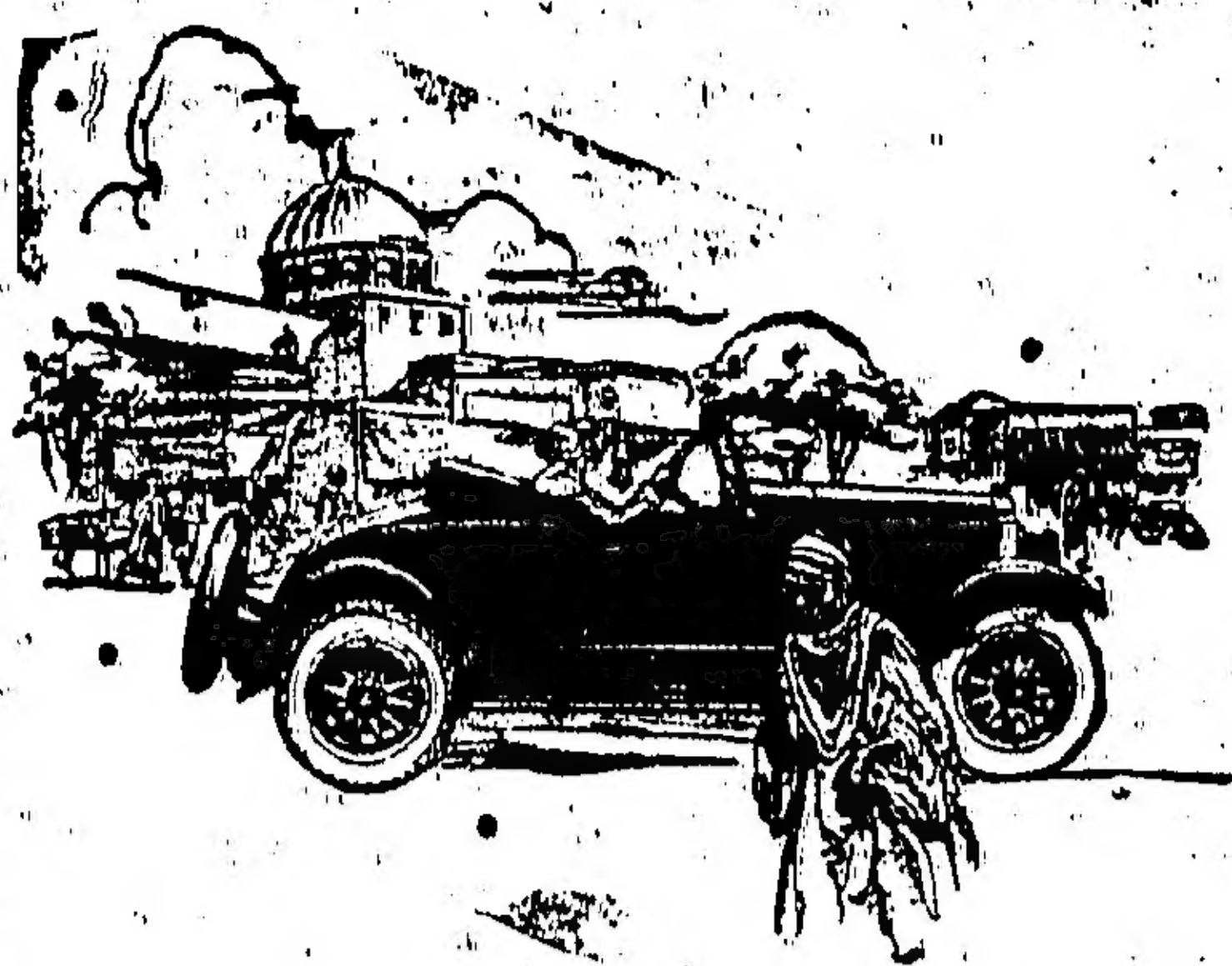
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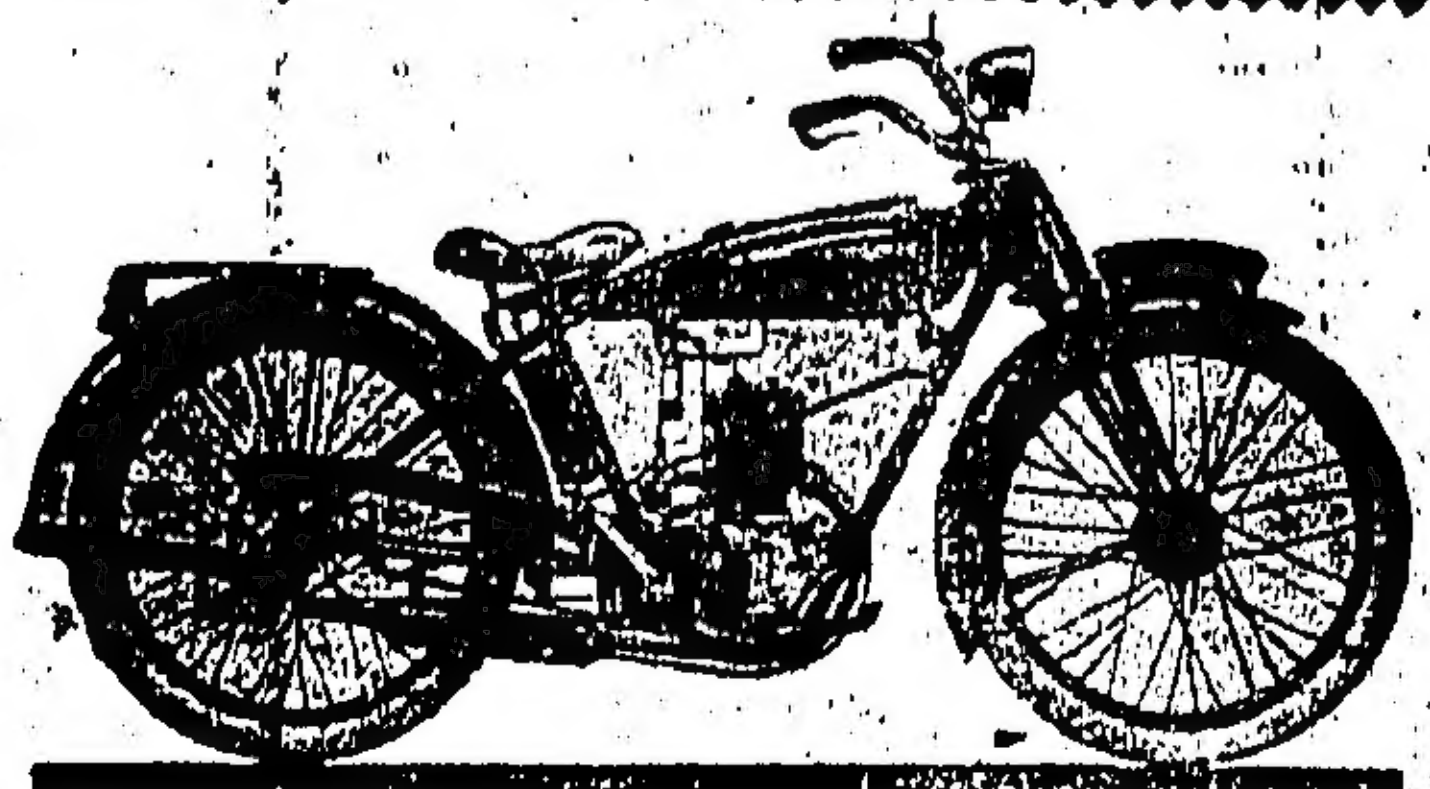
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From to-morrow, it is announced that water will be turned on in the rider main districts for two consecutive hours daily.

The new term of St. Stephen's College begins on Monday next. Entrance examination is on Friday.

Observatory returns show that at six o'clock yesterday the temperature at Vladivostok was 17 degrees, at Shanghai 34 and at Hongkong 56.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending November 21 amounted to 79,282 tons, and the sales to 61,508 tons.

The Ordinary Annual Meeting of the St. David's Society will be held at 5.15 p.m. on Wednesday, December 16, 1925, in Mr. D. J. Lewis Office, Prince's Building.

The St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, "Monthly Messenger" mentions that there will not be a Watchnight Service on New Year's Eve as the noise of Chinese crackers renders a service quite impracticable.

A verdict of accidental death was returned at an enquiry conducted at the Central Magistracy yesterday into the death of a Chinese who was knocked down by a motor bus and died from his injuries. The jury found that no blame attached to the driver of the lorry.

At a further hearing of the case against eight Shantung men charged with murder of a coolie at North Point, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday, the Magistrate considered the evidence insufficient for a conviction by a jury. To meet the wishes of the police, however, he was prepared to remand the men until Saturday.

The second annual meeting of the Union Church, Kowloon, is to be held on Friday.

Singapore is to have a season of eight performances by the Danish dancers.

The Christmas Church Choir of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, have arranged to tour the parish on two evenings in Christmas week, starting about 8.15. The proceeds will be divided equally between Home and local charities.

A book called "Peking to Lhasa" has been published. It contains the narrative of the journeys in the Chinese Empire made by the late Brigadier-General George Pereira, who was known in Hongkong. The book contains chapters on The Present Situation in China—The Chinese Student—A Tentative Proposal.

An organisation to encourage the consumption of Japanese products is to be established and Baron Yoshio Sakatani has been named president of the new organisation. The decision was reached at a conference of delegates representing the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce, Engineering Administration Association, and a few other organisations.

The population of the Ryukyu Islands, which lie between Japan and Formosa, is rapidly dying off, declared S. Sakurai, a health officer of the Okinawa prefecture, who attended the recent health conference in Tokyo. Malaria is blamed principally for the decrease. In eight villages, not a single baby has been born for the last 20 years. In Nizoko village, Mr. Sakurai said, one sick old woman was the only inhabitant. In 1922 an appropriation of 10,000 yen was made by the government to combat malaria in the islands.

The return of notifiable diseases for the 48 hours ended Sunday shows two Chinese cases of enteric fever—one at Kowloon and one in Hongkong.

The High Commissioner, Sir Joseph Cook, replying to the toast of "The Dominions" at the Commercial Motor Show luncheon at Olympia, told British manufacturers that now was their chance to take advantage of the new tariff, which allowed unasssembled parts of chassis into Australia free, whereas foreign countries must pay 12½ per cent. duty. Australia had imported from America five times more cars than from Britain, but so far as other merchandise was concerned, Britain sent about twice as much as America. Australia would rather buy British cars if conditions were the same.

Fifteen Japanese professors and assistant professors in government institutions have been selected to study abroad. They are Professor J. Narita, of the Tokyo Normal School for Women, who is to study for a year and a half in England; Professor T. Tono, of the Nara Higher Normal School for Women, for two years in Germany; Professor H. Shoji, of the Second High School for one year and a half in Germany; Professor R. Inuma, of the Sixth High School also for one year and a half in Germany; Professor M. Hayashi, of the Eighth High School for one year and a half in England; and eight other assistant professors in the Tokyo Imperial University. They are Mr. K. Yokota to study for two years in France; Mr. T. Kunikida, for two years in England; Mr. S. Noguchi, for two years in England; Mr. T. Ito, Mr. S. Emoto, and Mr. K. Arizawa, for two years in Germany, respectively; Mr. T. Ide, for two years in England; and Mr. N. Fukushima, for one year and a half in Germany.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hewlett are due to return to the Colony to-morrow by the "Antenor."

The British Minister to Siam spoke at the Rotarian Dinner at the Bangkok United Club last Friday.

The Rev. T. B. Powell has now moved to St. Paul's College Hostel where he will be pleased to meet any member of the congregation of St. John's Cathedral, by appointment.

A grand fancy dress ball at the Peak Club will be held on Wednesday, 6th January, 1926, at 9.30 p.m. As it will be necessary to limit the number of tickets to be issued, members and subscribers are advised to make early application for their requirements.

A tribute to the fame of Mr. Bernard Shaw, as the most popular dramatist in Germany is the fact that a picture of him adorns a new brand of cigars displayed in the tobacconist's window. He is shown seated at a writing-table, using a quill pen, and puffing at a large cigar.

The following tribute appears in St. John's Cathedral Notes:—The Reverend R. J. Northcott, C.F., to whom the Cathedral owes so much, left for home on the "Derbyshire" last week. The absence of a Garrison church brought him into close contact with various Cathedral activities, and his excellent study circles and most helpful sermons were much appreciated. We record with gratitude his always willing and valuable help, and wish him godspeed and every happiness and success in his future spheres of work.

There can seldom have been in any home a family reunion more happy and spontaneous than that of the Royal Household on the Prince's return. There was a delightful informality about the greetings which clearly touched the people's hearts. The Queen looked an obviously proud and happy woman as she welcomed back her son; here was Everywoman thankful for the return of her first-born. The Prince, though tired, looked radiantly happy, and just a little shy—as most sons are who return from a longish absence to the family circle. Nothing could have been more engaging than the way in which the Prince's brothers welcomed him, with fun and affection mingled as they are in every real family party.

Mr. D. Trafford of the staff of the Diocesan Boys' School, left for home on Saturday last.

Mr. Somerset Maugham, when in Kuala Lumpur was the guest of Sir George and Lady Maxwell.

Dame Nellie Melba, as a souvenir of her thirty-six years' association with Covent Garden, has presented a marble bust of herself, the work of Sir Bertram Mackennal, to the Opera House.

"In the United States there seems to be a restless undertone stirring the people. Industries are increasing production and in general conditions are good," thus Judge Harvey on his return to Manila.

News has been received in the Isle of Wight from Paris of the marriage of Miss Ems Fitzgerald, a young novelist, to Mr. James Alison Macmillan, an engineer. Miss Fitzgerald wrote her first novel at the age of 17. Attracted by her books the bridegroom sought her out, and the romance has now ended in his making her his bride.

Speaking to the Ely Diocesan Conference, the new Dean of Westminster, Dr. Foxley Norris (late Dean of York), said he wondered whether he was destined to remain in London for any length of time, having regard to a letter he had received since his appointment. It was signed by a principal partner of a large funeral association, and said that they were prepared to carry out any instructions he might leave with the utmost promptitude and what appealed to his feeling for comfort—with the greatest efficiency.

The return of Mr. Chamberlain from Locarno has been likened to that of Lord Beaconsfield from Berlin in 1878, when he brought back "Peace with Honour." In the case of Lord Beaconsfield the Lord Mayor and Sheriff of London were present in his arrival at Charing Cross Station with the Marquis of Salisbury. There was a great popular reception, and the two statesmen drove together from the station amid a cheering throng. When he reached his official residence, Lord Beaconsfield reported to the Queen that there had been a marvellous exhibition of public feeling from Charing Cross to Downing Street, and that the street was filled with a dense crowd singing loyal songs.

Reuter cables news of the death of Wilhelmina Drucker, Holland's first suffragette.

In one of Lloyd George's early campaigns someone threw a brick through the window, and it fell on the platform at his feet. Picking it up he cried: "Behold the only argument of our opponents."

Their Imperial Highnesses Prince and Princess Asaka arrived in Los Angeles last month incognito and visited Hollywood, where they were the guests of the great cinema stars, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks and Charlie Chaplin, and saw the "movie" studies.

The recent increase in the value of the lira, which was expected to relieve the high cost of living, has instead left Italians at loggerheads with the task of making ends meet. When the lira was worth hardly more than three cents, the cost of living suddenly soared upward. But when the lira was again worth more than four cents, the high cost of living refused to come down, despite the lamentations of the people.

The death of Mr. C. J. Bell, of Messrs. David Sassoon & Co., Ltd., Hankow, occurred in the International Hospital on November 23. Mr. Bell entered the hospital recently for treatment of typhoid from which he was suffering. Heart complications set in and his condition became highly critical. Mr. Cyril Bell, called by telegram from Shanghai, arrived only just in time to see his brother and be recognized by him before the latter died. Mr. C. J. Bell was a very well-known and popular member of the Hankow community and his loss will be deplored by many.

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MANLY ART.

EWING WINS 10-ROUND CONTEST.

LAST NIGHT'S BOXING.

Able Seaman Ewing, the Colony's welterweight champion, won on points in a 10-round contest from Stoker Morrell last night.

An interesting programme had been got up for the Hongkong Boxing Association's second tournament of the season at which the finals in the novices' competition were also decided. The boxing provided certainly deserved a bigger attendance.

H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn Alexander-Sinclair (commanding the China Station) was present as were the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-son and Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, R.N.

Local Challenges.
Morrell challenged Ewing to a return contest. It is understood that the champion has accepted.

Signalman Rogers, who lost to Drummer Bowles over 6 rounds, challenged his opponent to a return match over 15 rounds. A. B. Gardner, who beat Bowles on points over the shorter distance last month, also issued a challenge to the Drummer over 15 rounds.

Main Event.

Ewing (Hermes) and Morrell (Hawkins) both scaled 147 lbs. This 10-round bout went the full distance Ewing's science and ringcraft standing him in good stead against a rugged, swinging fighter.

The champion scored mostly by left leads to the head, keeping his powerful right in reserve for first-timers to the point. Ewing had a longer reach but Morrell, although more of a scrapper than a boxer, showed excellent defense. Now and then Morrell fought back nicely but Ewing gradually piled on his points by connecting with both head and body.

In round 3 Ewing was warned for holding. The latter part of the bout saw him add to his points and he finished up a comfortable winner.

Six-Round Bout.

H.E. Francis (Titania), 175 lbs., beat Stoker Addison (Hermes), 177 lbs., on points. Francis was the more aggressive throughout and tried hard for a knock-out in the closing round when he was well ahead. Addison made a splendid recovery in the fourth but his effort was short-lived.

L. S. Baker (Hermes), 133 lbs., beat Leading Telegraphist Emerson (Marathon), 136½ lbs., on points in a hard-hitting contest. Both men went out to give and take hard knocks but Baker stood the pace a little better and his advantage towards the end secured him the verdict.

Drummer Bowles (Surreys), 124 lbs., beat Signalman Rogers (Tamar), 121½ lbs., on points. Bowles was the better man at dodging and slipping and won as long range by being the speedier. Rogers worked for the body in fighting. After doing most of the leading Bowles was put through the ropes in round 3. His left in the subsequent rounds gave him

LAWN BOWLS.

KOWLOON GREEN'S CLOSING DAY.

PRIZE PRESENTATION.

The Kowloon Bowling Green Club is to make this Saturday a "rain day."

The Club will be "at home" for the closing of the lawn bowls season proper and prizes will be presented.

LOCAL CRICKET.

The following will represent the Hongkong Cricket Club "Outcasts" in a friendly fixture against H.M.S. "Hawkins" at home this Saturday, commencing at 1.30 p.m.:—R. Hancock (Capt.), A. C. I. Bowker, A. L. Gace, A. W. Hayward, J. D. Humphreys, H. Owen Hughes, E. G. Lammert, A. K. Mackenzie, T. E. Pearce, T. B. Powell, R. E. A. Webster.

The following will represent the Hongkong Hockey Club 2nd XI v. the Submarines at the U.S.R.C. on Thursday at 5 p.m. sharp:—A. J. Frank; C. L. R. Becher, J. Wedlake. (Capt.); E. F. Stewart, L. P. Ralph, G. R. Vullack, A. S. Exall, S. H. Garrod, D. Lyon, J. E. Noronha, T. J. Price.

Novices' Finals.

During the evening it was announced that prizes would be given to "best losers" in the novices' tournament.

The finals were decided last night and Mr. K. M. Dyer presented the trophies at the end of the tournament.

Results were:
Bantams:—Ord. Sen. Maugh (Hawkins) v. from St. Burgess (Ambrose) who was not passed medically. Best loser, Drummer Simpson (Surreys).

Featherweights: Marine Hills (Hermes) beat A. B. Beach (Hawkins) on points. Best loser, A. B. Stollery (Hermes).

Lights:—Cook Cooper (Hermes) beat Ldg. Sen. Carter (Carlisle) on points. Carter was sent to the boards three in round 1, once in round 2, and four times in the last round. He put up a great show and received a deserved ovation.

Best loser, A. B. Merrill (Carlisle).
Welters:—A. B. Jackson (Hawkins) beat A. B. Webb (Titania) on points after a good contest. Best loser, A. E. Reynolds (s.m. 123).

Middleweights:—Marine Watts (Hermes) k.o. Pte. Roberts (Surreys) in round 1. Best loser, A. B. Waugh.

Heavies:—Marine Streetfield (Hermes) k.o. A. B. McKenzie (Hermes) in round 1.

The unit cup was won for the first time by H.M.S. "Hermes" who became holders for a year.

HOME SOCCER.

MORE ENGLISH F.A. CUP REPLAYS.

READING WIN AT LAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Dec. 7.

Replays in the first round proper of the F.A. Cup resulted:—
Bristol City 2, Lincoln City 1. [The winners visit Boston for round 2 this Saturday.]
Reading 2, Torquay 0. [Reading receive Leyton in round 2.]
Blyth Spartans 1, Hartlepool 0.
Kettering 2, Worcester City 0. [The winners are at home to Grimsby on Saturday.]

English League.

The following league matches were played to-day (home team given first):—
Division I:
Barnley 3, Birmingham 1.
Division II:
Pottsmouth 4, South Shields 2.

League tables to date (in respective decisions) follow:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Manchester	20	11	4	5	50	35	26
Arsenal	19	11	4	4	44	31	26
Aston Villa	18	8	7	3	44	30	23
Aston Villa	17	8	7	2	35	25	23
Wolves	18	9	4	5	32	22	22
W. Bromwich	18	8	5	5	40	32	21
Bolton	18	8	4	7	35	32	20
Tottenham	18	8	4	7	37	40	20
Sheffield	18	8	3	7	46	38	19
Birmingham	18	8	3	7	31	41	19
Liverpool	17	6	6	5	26	19	18
Newcastle	17	6	5	6	30	31	17
Everton	19	5	7	7	38	42	17
West Ham	19	8	1	10	25	39	17
Tottenham	19	6	4	9	29	33	16
Cardiff	19	7	2	10	26	34	16
Blackburn	19	5	5	9	42	45	15
Leeds	18	6	3	9	35	39	15
Leicester	18	5	4	9	35	43	14
Derby	17	6	2	9	42	44	14
W. Chester	19	4	5	10	41	54	13
Burnley	18	4	5	9	28	51	13

Division II.

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Walsley	18	11	3	4	43	23	25
Derby	17	10	5	2	46	16	25
Chelsea	17	9	6	2	39	16	24
Mid. Res.	17	10	0	7	41	35	24
Oldham	16	9	4	3	32	20	22
South Shields	19	9	3	7	34	32	21
Portsmouth	19	9	3	7	30	45	21
Port Vale	18	8	2	7	37	30	20
Bradford	17	7	4	6	23	17	18
Blackpool	19	8	2	9	37	31	18
Preston	18	8	2	10	36	48	18
Swansea	18	8	1	7	31	25	17
Wolves	17	7	3	7	28	27	17
Hull City	18	8	1	9	23	24	17
Darlington	19	6	5	8	31	38	17
Barnsley	17	5	6	6	22	30	16
Southampton	19	5	5	9	27	35	15
Stock	18	6	3	9	25	35	15
North Forest	18	5	4	9	20	22	14
Clapton	17	4	2	11	18	27	10
Stockport	18	4	2	12	23	40	10
Fulham	18	3	4	11	18	41	10

FLYWEIGHT TITLE.

HOLDER'S ILLNESS BRINGS POSTPONEMENT.

CONDITION NOT SERIOUS.

(Associated Press.)

Los Angeles, Nov. 27.

The illness of Fidel La Barba caused the indefinite postponement to-day of his bout with Clever Sencio of Manila scheduled for December 2.

(United Press.)

Los Angeles, Nov. 27.

The championship match between the Filipino Clever Sencio and Fidel La Barba scheduled for December 2 has been postponed. La Barba's manager announced that his champion had developed a bad case of tonsillitis and would not be able to continue his training. It is understood that he may require an operation and this may keep him out of the prize ring for at least three months.

The postponement was a severe blow to Sencio who was primed for the fight of his life. He said that he would continue training and try to arrange a bout or two with other flyweights.

(United Press.)

Los Angeles, Nov. 30.

It was learned that Fidel La Barba's condition is not serious. He may resume training within a week. Loud complaints have been raised in some quarters where it is said that this bout was postponed without adequate reason.

Promoters for the match said that nothing would be done toward fixing another date until the champion had fully recovered. Meanwhile Sencio is going ahead with his training, and says that he will be ready whenever they make the day.

GOLF CLUB.

REPORT FOR ANNUAL MEETING.

1,542 NAMES ON BOOKS.

The annual report to be presented at the annual general meeting of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club at the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on December 15, reads as under:—

During the year ended September 30, 1925, 94 resident members and 23 members of the junior section joined the club, the membership now standing as follows:—
Honorary members . . . 4
Life members . . . 4
Full members . . . 466
Restricted members . . . 70
Non-playing members . . . 28
Absent members . . . 847
Naval subscribers . . . 25
Military subscribers . . . 26
Total . . . 1,455

Junior section:—
Resident members . . . 66
Absent members . . . 21
Total . . . 87

1,542

In addition 338 ladies are registered as being granted the use of the courses and club houses.

The Championship (1924) was won by Mr. A. B. Stewart, the runner-up being Mr. I. W. Shewan.

Other competitions resulted as follows:—
Jasper Clark Cup (1924) Mr. I. W. Shewan.

Happy Valley Championship (1925) was not played.

Captain's Cup (1924) Mr. R. A. Camidge.

Governor's Shield (1924) Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., represented by Messrs. A. B. Stewart and W. Galloway.

For the second year in succession, Junior Championship (1925) Mr. H. G. Hegarty.

Junior Section Championship (1925) is not yet completed.

One interport match v. Manila was played at Hongkong and won by Hongkong. One interport match v. Shanghai was played at Shanghai and resulted in a tie.

The following served on the general committee:—Mr. A. H. Ferguson (president), Mr. G. S. Archibut (captain), Mr. W. Adamson (whose place was later taken by Mr. G. H. Wilson), Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Mr. H. U. Ireland, Mr. J. D. Kinnaird, Mr. C. D. Lambert, Mr. R. E. Macdonald, Mr. C. A. Peel, Mr. J. B. Ross and Mr. F. G. Walker.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead & Davis, who offer themselves for re-election.

Other business to come before the meeting includes the discussion of the question of extensive repairs to the club houses at Fanling.

"WHITE WINGS."

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP RACES.

RESULTS OF FOURTH SERIES.

Nine yachts turned out yesterday for the fourth ladies' championship races of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club season.

In the good breeze two fine races were sailed. The course of about 5½ miles was from the Club to Lyman Beacon, Cuat Rock Buoy, and back.

Starters were:—Diana (Mrs. Arthur), Colleen (Miss Hazeland), Falcon (Miss Shaw), Gael (Mrs. Ballard), Thecla (Mrs. Barraclough), Joan (Mrs. Davidson), Gladys (Mrs. Adams), Sealark (Mrs. Crane) and Bluewing (Mrs. Mitchell).

Results follow:—
Handicap Class.
Finishing Corrected
Heat Time Time
Colleen 1st 5.08 4.00.48 3.55.40
Diana 2nd 5.0 4.00.22 3.50.25
Falcon 4.40 4.00.05 4.01.25

Hayward Heys and Gaels.
Finishing Corrected
Heat Time Time
Sealark 1st 4.24 4.14.66 4.13.22
Gladys 2nd 4.24 4.15.48 4.14.24
Gael 3rd 4.20 4.17.10 4.14.50
Bluewing 1.24 4.16.21 4.14.57
Thecla 4.40 4.20.50 4.15.10
Joan 1.52 4.18.51 4.15.59

Points To Date.
Handicap Class—Diana 22, Colleen 20, Falcon 18.

Hayward Heys and Gaels—Sealark 23, Thecla 27, Bluewing 24, Gladys 21, Gael 21, Joan 17.

A note appears in the Queen's Park Rangers' programme asking spectators to refrain from shouting to players. Some yell "Hold it," and at the same time others shout "Get rid of it." This sort of thing can only bewilder a player, and after all the time with the ball should know what to do. The same might apply equally to Hongkong.

GERMAN RUGBY.

FRANKFORT TEAM AT OXFORD.

SOLITARY TRY CHECKED.

(Times of Ceylon.)

London, Nov. 16.

The Frankfort Sports Club visited Oxford and played their return match with the University Greyhounds. They received an enthusiastic reception from a large crowd. Although beaten by 32 points to 3 after a clean and vigorous game, they gave a capital account of themselves. They were quite good in the scrums, but slow in breaking up.

Behind the scrum they lacked combination and their tackling was weak.

They scored a try in the second half which was loudly cheered. The Greyhounds entertained the visitors to dinner in the evening.



MR. JAS. DOOLITTLE.

Lieut. James Doolittle, U.S.A., won the Jacques Schneider cup for seaplanes when he attained a speed of 232 miles an hour, defeating international fliers.

BACK OF SCRUM.

WHY WOOLWICH BEAT SANDHURST.

(Times of Ceylon.)

London, Nov. 18.

At rugby Woolwich beat Sandhurst by 12 points to 6 at Richmond.

There was fine weather, the game was fast and hard and neither side gave any quarter.

The game was an object lesson to many first-class sides.

While there was little to choose between the packs, Woolwich were sounder behind the scrum. They were quicker and more effective, their passing was clean and they tackled hard.

Woolwich led after ten minutes, Proudlock scoring a try under the posts, Johnson converting. Garner then scored a try for Sandhurst. Then Proudlock dropped a goal and Black added a try for Woolwich.

The pace was not slackened after the interval.

Sandhurst maintained a prolonged pressure, which resulted in Lloyd scoring an unconverted try.

It was Woolwich's third consecutive victory.

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Names.	Hongkong Stock Exchange.	Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association.	Share & Bond Estate Brokers Society.
T.T. on London	2143 ¹ / ₂	2143 ¹ / ₂	2143 ¹ / ₂
T.T. on Shanghai	75 ¹ / ₂	75 ¹ / ₂	75 ¹ / ₂
Banks.	1080 b. 1090 s.		nom.
Hongkong Bank	1085 sa.	\$1080 b. 1084	\$1085 s
do. London	\$130 n.	— [sa.	\$120 ¹ / ₂ n.
Chartered Bank	\$20 n.	\$20 n.	\$ 20 ¹ / ₂ n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	\$20 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$20 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$20 ¹ / ₂ n.
do. C.	\$13 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$13 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$12 n.
P. & O. Bank	\$6 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$6 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$10 ¹ / ₂ n.
Bank of East Asia	\$85 n.	\$80 n.	\$ 80 s.
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	600 n.	600 b.	\$ 600 b.
China Underwriters	215 b.	215 b. & sa.	210 b. 230 s.
North China Insurance	T 140 n.	T 140 n.	T 140 n.
Union Insurance	250 b. & sa.	249 n.	\$250 s.
Yangtze Insurance	35 b.	35 ¹ / ₂ b.	36 b.
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	160 n.	160 b.	\$ 200 n.
H.K. Fire Insurance	600 n.	600 n.	590 n.
Shipping.			
Douglases	40 n.	32 n.	40 n.
Hongkong Steamboats	23 n.	23 ¹ / ₄ n.	23 b.
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	4 ¹ / ₂ n.	4 ¹ / ₂ n.	4 n.
Indo-Chinas (Pref.)	38 n.	37 n.	37 n.
do. (Def.) Ltd.	70 n.	—	65 s.
do. (H.)	70 n.	40 n.	—
Oriental Navigation	\$250 n.	255 n.	—
Shell Transports	98 n.	98 ¹ / ₂ b.	95 ¹ / ₂ b.
Star Ferries	\$60 ¹ / ₂ b. 61	\$60 ¹ / ₂ b. 61 sa.	\$ 60 ¹ / ₂ b.
Water-boats	16 b. 16 ¹ / ₄ sa.	16 n.	16 b.
Refineries.			
China Sugars	31 b.	30 b.	30 b.
Malabon Sugars	48 n.	35 s.	50 n.
Mining.			
Benguet	2 n.	—	2 ¹ / ₂ n.
Kailan Mining Ad.	45 ¹ / ₂ n.	52 ¹ / ₂ n.	47 ¹ / ₂ n.
Langkats (Combined)	T 133 ¹ / ₂ n.	T 134 n.	T 134 s.
do. (Single)	19 ¹ / ₂ n.	20 ¹ / ₂ n.	—
Shanghai Exploration	54 n.	54 n.	—
Shanghai Loan	8 n.	8 n.	—
Raubas	\$7 sa.	\$7 n.	7 s.
Tronoh Mines	58 ¹ / ₂ n.	60 ¹ / ₂ n.	70 ¹ / ₂ b.
Ural Caspians	8 ¹ / ₂ n.	8 ¹ / ₂ n.	7 ¹ / ₂ b.
Docks, Wharves			
Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	\$133 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$134 n.	\$134 s.
H.K. & W. Docks	55 ¹ / ₂ b.	56 n.	56 b.
Hongkows	T 165 n.	—	T 160 n.
New Engineerings	7 b.	T 7 n.	7 b.
Shanghai Docks	117 b.	118 b.	117 b.
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels (old)	\$94 b. & sa.	\$94 b. 94 ¹ / ₂ 0.35	94 ¹ / ₂ b.
do. (new)	—	1 sa.	—
Hongkong Lands	68 ³ / ₄ b. 69 sa.	60 ¹ / ₂ n.	68 b. 68 ¹ / ₂ sa.
H.K. Realty	6 b.	5 ¹ / ₂ b.	6 b.
H.K. Territorials	5 b.	5 ¹ / ₂ b.	6 s.
Humphreys Estates	14 b. & sa.	14 n.	14 b. & sa.
Princes Building	150 n.	150 s.	—
Rural Lands	7 s.	—	—
Cotton Mills.			
Ewo Cottons	T10 ¹ / ₂ n.	T10 ¹ / ₂ n.	T10 ¹ / ₂ b.
Oriental	34 ¹ / ₂ b. 340 s.	34 b.	34 s.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	66 n.	65 b.	66 b.
do. (new)	36 n.	38 b.	38 b.
Miscellaneous.			
Canton Ice	\$7 ¹ / ₂ n.	\$7 s.	\$ 7 s.
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do. (old)	12 ¹ / ₂ n.	12.10 b.	12 ¹ / ₂ s.
do. (new)	3 n.	3 s.	3 s.
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China Lights (comb.)	\$103 ¹ / ₄ b. 20 sa.	20 sa.	20 s.
do. (old)	15 ¹ / ₂ n.	15 n.	15 s.
do. (new)	10 ¹ / ₂ b.	10 ¹ / ₂ b.	10 s.
China Prov. (comb.)	33 n.	—	—
do. (old)	9 s.	9 n.	9 s.
do. (new)	9 s.	—	—
Dairy Farms	18 b. 19 s.	18 ¹ / ₂ s.	19 s.
Der A Wing (full pd.)	10 n.	10 n.	—
do. (part pd.)	—	5 n.	—
Hongkong Amusements	10 b.	10 ¹ / ₂ s.	—
H.K. Constructions	1.85 b.	2 b.	4 s.
Hongkong Electrics	55 n.	53 ¹ / ₂ b.	55 s.
H.K. Developments	30 cts. b.	30 cts. b.	cts 25 b.
H.K. Ropes (comb.)	40 s.	40 n.	40 n.
do. (old)	13 ¹ / ₂ n.	12 n.	14 b.
do. (new)	8 ¹ / ₂ n.	7 n.	8 ¹ / ₂ n.
Hongkong Tramways	25 b.	25 s.	25 s. 24 ¹ / ₂ 15 sa.
Lane, Crawfords	12 ¹ / ₂ b.	12 ¹ / ₂ n.	13 s.
Macao Electrics	40 n.	—	—
Mackintosh	21 ¹ / ₂ n.	—	—
Nanyang Tobaccos	—	12 b.	—
Peak Trams (old)	15 ¹ / ₂ b.	15 b.	15 b.
do. (new)	8 n.	8 n.	9 n.
Sinceres	11 s.	10 b.	10 s.
Singapore Trams	—	8 ¹ / ₂ b.	—
Taxis	5 s.	4 n.	5 s.
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People and Events in the News of the World



GEN. CORNELIUS VANDERBILT
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Gen. Cornelius Vanderbilt and his daughter, Grace and their mascot, Billy, have returned to New York after a two years' cruise in the Vanderbilt yacht, "Atlantic."



Lord Birkenhead, Secretary of State for India, has left his home in Charlton, for a few days on the tennis courts.



KING GEORGE

The portrait of King George, by Charles Sims, was removed from the Royal Academy, it is said on account of the spindly legs.



BABY VINN BATTLE WITH DOG

An enterprising photographer won a prize of 250 for these pictures. The top shows the dog with the baby's teething ring, while the infant howls in anger at the loss. The other depicts the youngster evidently cooling in satisfaction at the recovery of his stolen property. Note the toes turned down as a signal of distress in one case, and curled upward as a sign of supremacy in the other. "It looks in the second picture as if the dog is ready for another try for the ring."



Dr. Von Schlieben, Minister of Finance, and Herr Martin Schiele, Minister of the Interior, resigned from the German Cabinet over the Locarno Treaty.



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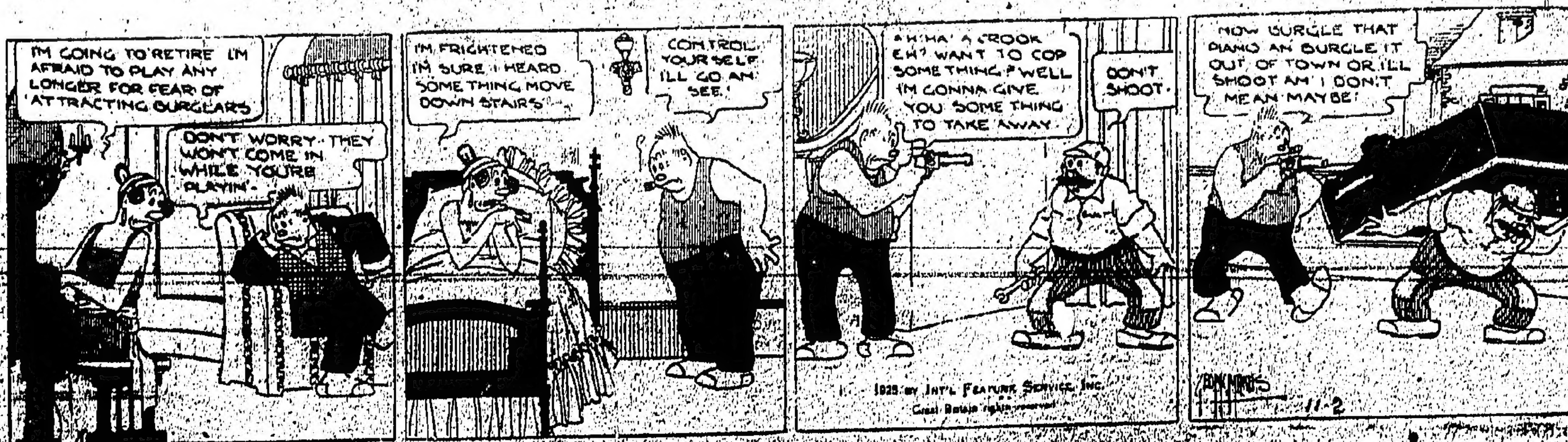
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SEN. THADDEUS CARAWAY

Dr. Campbell Morgan, of London, who in conducting noon-day meetings, can recite the Bible from cover to cover. Philip A. De Laszle, European artist, is to paint President Coolidge's portrait. H. M. Fish rescued 32 men aboard a sinking Norwegian tramp ship in mid-Atlantic. Senator Caraway alleges that the crop forecasts aid speculators and cost planters of the South millions a year.

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ODDS AND ENDS

The Little Room.

That is a very human picture that George Eliot draws of Hetty Sorrel in her bedroom. The pretty little creature was accustomed to dress herself up in certain finery and admire her own reflection in the small looking-glass. The things she did not dare to wear in public she now put on, and prouetted up and down the attic floor. Poor Hetty! Here seems a very sad and futile way of using that great possession—a little room. It was meant for more than that. And that, I think, is why "the little room" is more often than not, situated "upstairs."—Fay Inchikawa in the "Sunday at Home."

A Warning About Ghosts.

Down at Window T. stood through the night and looked at the new memorial in copper erected to the dead in the Great War (says a writer in the London "Evening News"). While watching, I saw an interesting-looking figure emerging from the darkness of what is known as "colony." The figure carried an academic gown and wore spectacles, and the face was that of a statesman. I asked a friend who it was, and he said it was the most learned living British scholar, Dr. Montague Rhodes James. He is a European authority on old manuscripts, and when a boy at Eton managed to translate a Coptic manuscript, which he dedicated to Queen Victoria. At first it was believed to be a joke until the surprising fact became known that a lad of 17 had mastered this ancient tongue. Dr. James is now Provost of Eton and writes ghost stories of a peculiarly "lightening" type. I learn that another volume of his stories, called "Warnings to the Curious," is to appear shortly. One of the tales in the book was specially written for the library of the Queen's Doll House. A small boy once asked Dr. James whether he believed in ghosts. "I do not know," replied the Provost, "but I always speak well of them, in order to be on the safe side."

Dickens's Nell.

Jeffrey wept over Little Nell; his successors of to-day criticise the pages of deliberate pathos in which her death is narrated and find them intolerably mawkish. To be just we have to remember

under what circumstances. Dic-

kens wrote, in 1840, Little Nell struck readers not only as pathetic, but as fresh and original; which indeed she was; over-familiarity robs us of the delight of fiction, discovered and worked by a master spirit. It was Dickens who taught his countrymen the imaginative value of humble domestic life; and in The Old Curiosity Shop he succeeds to perfection in conveying his idea of domesticity. From the beginning of the story, when she is seen making order and comfort in the gloomy old house, to the end of her wanderings in the cottage by the still churchyard, her one desire is for the peace and security of home. This sentiment appeals very strongly to the English mood, and no one before Dickens had given it such emphatic utterance. We find it in Goldsmith; it has a great part in the charm of Gray's Elegy; Wordsworth had turned it to purpose in his own grave-dig; and Tennyson was striking the same note. Remember, too, that Dickens spoke with a new voice on behalf of children; as a time when children were commonly neglected, and often horribly ill-used, he found a way of calling attention to their unregarded lives. Oliver Twist had already played his part. Little Nell, like Oliver, straying among perils, moved a more tender interest. To dismiss with a scoff pages which came from the hearts of Tennyson and of Dickens is something worse than dullness. This pathos was true for them and for their day; nothing of conscious extravagance; and if the ends of art were imperfectly served, none the less did such work tend to civilisation. —From The Immortal Dickens, by George Glasie (Cecil Palmer.)

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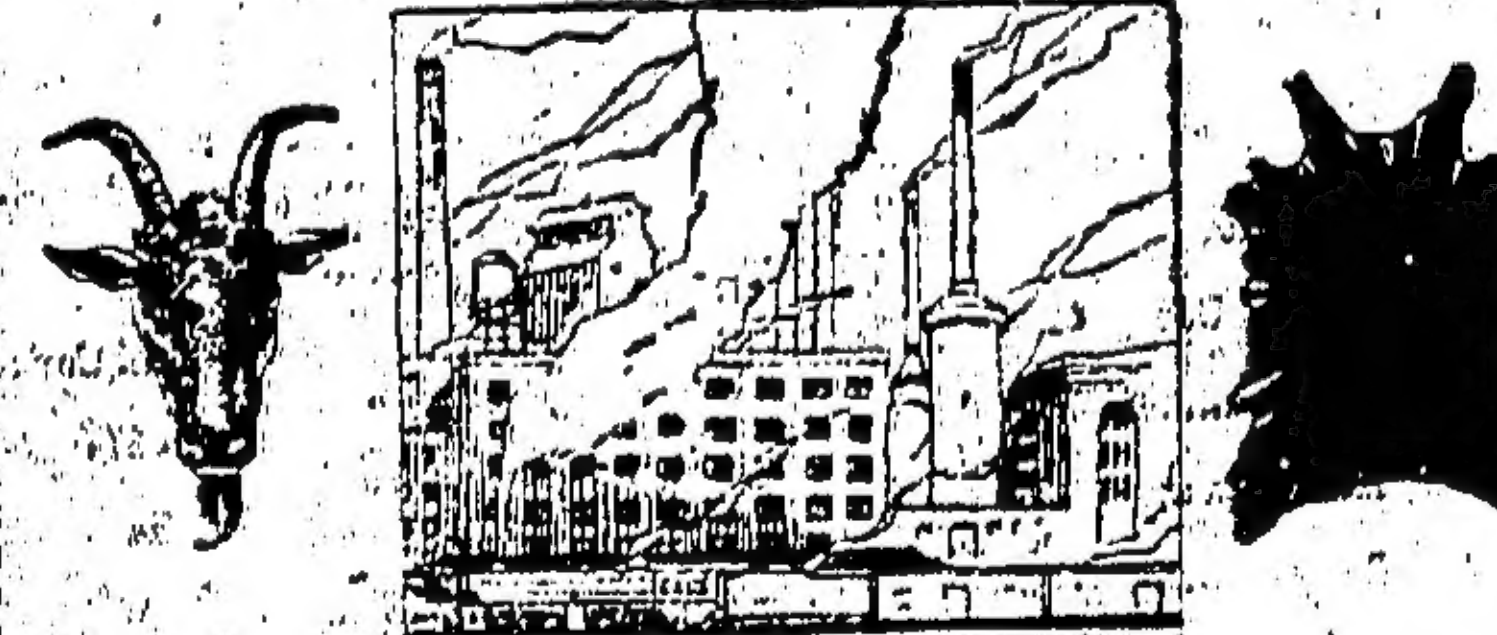
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